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TITLE: Non-dipolar RF coil for NMR lock and homonuclear decoupling

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ABSTRACT:

A birdcage-like coil with a pair of electrically conductive ring elements separated in a longitudinal direction and interconnected by three longitudinally extending electrically conductive elongated strips, two of which are diametrically oppositely disposed and the third is azimuthally at 90E from both of them, can create an RF magnetic field gradient when driven in a certain resonance mode. A similarly structured birdcage-like coil with a fourth strip to have two diametrically oppositely disposed strips can create two switchable orthogonal magnetic field gradient by switching off a selected one of the strips and driving the coil in a certain mode. A coil for generating alternative a homogeneous field and selectably one of two orthogonal gradient fields is formed by sandwiching a prior art birdcage long-pass coil with a pair of such coils and by switching on and off suitable ones of the switches in the strips.

15 Claims, 9 Drawing figures

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## PARENT-CASE:

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#### ABSTRACT:

A Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) probe device (20) is disclosed. NMR probe device (20) includes a plurality of detection coils (30, 40) each operable to detect a signal from a corresponding one of a plurality of samples (34, 44) undergoing NMR analysis. Also included is a plurality of tuning circuits (31, 41, 38, 48) each coupled to one of detection coils (30, 40) to tune the one of the detection coils (30, 40) to a corresponding resonant frequency for the NMR analysis of the corresponding one of the samples. An electromagnetic shield (22) is positioned between a first one of the detection coils (30, 40) and a second one of the detection coils (30, 40) to isolate the first one of the detection coils (30, 40) and the second one of the detection coils (30, 40) from each other.

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TITLE: NMR sample probe with B1 gradient coils - generates homogeneous or radial RF field over sample volume and switches between fields using switching mechanism

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PRIORITY-DATA: 1993US-0030693 (March 12, 1993)

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## BASIC-ABSTRACT:

The NMR sample probe for generating B1 magnetic field gradients in a sample volume from RF energy generated by an RF generator, includes a first Helmholtz coil positioned around the sample volume and having magnetic field generating windings electrically connected so that a homogeneous magnetic field is generated in the sample volume when RF energy is applied to the magnetic field generating windings.

A second Helmholtz coil is positioned around the sample volume and has magnetic field generating windings electrically connected so that a radial magnetic gradient field is generated in the sample volume when RF energy is applied to the magnetic field generating windings. An RF switch is connected between the RF generator and

the first and second Helmholtz coils to allow one of the first and second Helmholtz coils to be connected to the RF generator.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Generating both homogeneous RF field over sample volume or ''radial'' field comprising two orthogonal gradient fields generated simultaneously in transverse plane or linear gradient field.

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EQUIVALENT-ABSTRACTS:

The NMR sample probe for generating B1 magnetic field gradients in a sample volume from RF energy generated by an RF generator, includes a first Helmholtz coil positioned around the sample volume and having magnetic field generating windings electrically connected so that a homogeneous magnetic field is generated in the sample volume when RF energy is applied to the magnetic field generating windings.

A second Helmholtz coil is positioned around the sample volume and has magnetic field generating windings electrically connected so that a radial magnetic gradient field is generated in the sample volume when RF energy is applied to the magnetic field generating windings. An RF switch is connected between the RF generator and the first and second Helmholtz coils to allow one of the first and second Helmholtz coils to be connected to the RF generator.

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TITLE: NMR probe which includes B1, gradient coils

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## ABSTRACT:

An NMR probe is designed to generate both a homogeneous RF field over the sample volume and, alternatively, a "radial" field comprising two orthogonal gradient fields generated simultaneously in the transverse plane or a linear gradient field. The homogeneous field is generated by means of a known homogeneous coil construction, such as a Helmholtz coil or modified Helmholtz coil. The radial field can be generated by means of an inverted Helmholtz coil, either modified or unmodified, and the linear field can be generated by a Golay type coil, which coils are positioned coaxially with the homogeneous coil. The two coils are connected in parallel to the RF signal generator and switching can be accomplished either by means of an active switch or by detuning one of the coil resonant circuits when the other coil is in use.

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ART-UNIT: 335

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Casler; Brian L.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Fay, Sharpe, Beall, Fagan, Minnich &amp; McKee

## ABSTRACT:

A magnetic resonance imaging apparatus includes main field coils (10) for generating a temporally uniform magnetic field longitudinally through a central bore (12). A whole body gradient magnetic field coil (30) and radio frequency coil (36) are disposed around the bore. An insertable coil assembly (40) includes an insertable gradient coil, a radio frequency coil (74) and a radio frequency shield

(76). The insertable gradient coil includes a pair (62, 64) of x-gradient windings (FIGS. 3 and 4), a pair (66, 68) of y-gradient windings (FIGS. 5 and 6), and a pair (70, 72) of z-gradient windings (FIGS. 7 and 8), which are wrapped around inner and outer surfaces of a dielectric former (60). The x, y, and z insertable gradient coil pairs are configured such that they generate uniform magnetic field gradients within the insertable coil assembly when its central axis is positioned transverse to the direction of the temporally uniform magnetic field generated by the main field coils. The insertable coil assembly is ideally suited for imaging a patient's wrist when the patient rests the insertable coil assembly with its wrist therein on the patient's thorax region transverse to the central bore of the magnetic resonance imaging apparatus.

17 Claims, 8 Drawing figures

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	DOC	Discl D
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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5914599 A

TITLE: Compensation for inhomogeneity of the field generated by the RF coil in a nuclear magnetic resonance system

DATE-ISSUED: June 22, 1999

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PARENT-CASE:

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FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 324/306, 324/307, 324/309, 324/318, 324/319, 324/314

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ART-UNIT: 287

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Barlow; John

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Bui; Bryan

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Battison; Adrian D. Thrift; Murray E.

## ABSTRACT:

This invention relates to a technique for compensating for the inhomogeneity of the field generated by the RF coil (B1) in a nuclear magnetic resonance experiment. Current techniques for achieving accurate flip angles with non-uniform B1 transmit fields, are based upon modulation of the RF waveform. Inherent disadvantages of any RF-based compensation is an increased pulse length and/or increased RF power. Moreover, for some important applications, e.g. multi-slice excitation, no suitable pulses are known. We present an alternative strategy involving a Bz field whose spatial variation is correlated with that of the B1 field. This spatial correlation between the fields allows Bz-based compensation for the effects of B1 inhomogeneity. Successful operation over a wide bandwidth and range of B1 intensities may be achieved without any modification of the RF pulses. An alternative approach for compensating for B1 inhomogeneity is to apply a rapid oscillatory phase-modulation to an existing RF pulse waveform. This approach does not require an additional Bz field, but does not have the minimum RF power advantage of the first approach.

12 Claims, 26 Drawing figures

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Gate	Reference	Claims	WWW	Draw D.
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TITLE: Detunable coil assembly and method of detuning RF coil for MRI

DATE-ISSUED: April 22, 2003

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ART-UNIT: 2862

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Lefkowitz; Edward

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Vargas; Dixomara

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Fishman; Bella Berkowitz; Edward H.

## ABSTRACT:

A detunable coil assembly includes a main coil which resonates at a specified resonance frequency and a switchable detuning coil which, when switched on, becomes inductively coupled to the main coil and serves to detune it from its resonance frequency. The detuning coil and the main coil are electrically insulated from each other. The main coil may be of a multiply tuned kind and it may be detuned from more than one of its specified resonance frequencies at the same time by switching on the detuning coil.

13 Claims, 3 Drawing figures

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6556010 B2

TITLE: Magnetic resonance imaging method involving sub-sampling

DATE-ISSUED: April 29, 2003

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ART-UNIT: 2862

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Arana; Louis

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Vodopia; John

## ABSTRACT:

A magnetic resonance imaging system is provided with a system of emission antennas, for example, emission coils, for generating RF excitation pulses. The RF excitation pulses generate magnetic resonance signals from an object to be examined. The system of emission antennas has a spatially inhomogeneous emission profile. The inhomogeneous emission profile is used for the partial spatial encoding of the magnetic resonance signals in addition to the encoding on the basis of magnetic gradient fields. The magnetic resonance image is reconstructed on the basis of the inhomogeneous emission profile



20 Claims, 1 Drawing figures

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TITLE: Switchable FOV coil assembly having end saddle coils

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ART-UNIT: 2859

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Gutierrez; Diego

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Vargas; Dixomara

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Ziolkowski Patent Solutions Group, LLC Della Penna; Michael A. Horton; Carl B.

## ABSTRACT:

An MRI apparatus and method for minimizing mutual inductance between a center coil and an end coil configuration that reduces wrap-around artifacts in an MR image is provided. The switchable FOV coil configuration includes first and second RF coils aligned along a first axis. The second RF coil is coupled to the first RF coil to form a pair of end saddle coils. A central RF coil is also included having a length along the first axis and positioned at least partially within the end saddle coils such that activation of the central RF coil alone or in combination with the end saddle coils provides differing FOV's for imaging.

31 Claims, 6 Drawing figures

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	AMC	Draw D
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TITLE: Pulse sequence and method for creating a radio-frequency magnetic field gradient with a spatially independent phase for NMR experiments

DATE-ISSUED: May 28, 1996

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US-CL-CURRENT: 324/309; 324/307

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 324/307, 324/309, 324/310, 324/311, 324/312

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ART-UNIT: 225

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Arana; Louis M.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Bookstein & Kudirka

ABSTRACT:

A composite RF pulse is created from a sequence of conventional homogeneous RF pulses and conventional gradient RF pulses and the composite pulse generates a gradient magnetic field with a spatially varying amplitude, but a spatially independent phase. In one embodiment of the invention, the pulse sequence consists of four conventional gradient RF pulses interspersed with two conventional homogeneous RF pulses. In another embodiment of the invention, a conventional gradient RF pulse is combined with a conventional homogeneous RF pulse and the pulse pair is repeated in order to generate an effective magnetic field with a spatially varying amplitude, but a spatially independent phase.

6 Claims, 11 Drawing figures

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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TITLE: Nuclear magnetic resonance analysis of multiple samples

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INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 324/318; 324/309, 324/321, 324/322

REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 1 2 6

#### ABSTRACT:

A Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) probe device (20) is disclosed. NMR probe device (20) includes a plurality of detection coils (30, 40) each operable to detect a signal from a corresponding one of a plurality of samples (34, 44) undergoing NMR analysis. Also included is a plurality of tuning circuits (31, 41, 38, 48) each coupled to one of detection coils (30, 40) to tune the one of the detection coils (30, 40) to a corresponding resonant frequency for the NMR analysis of the corresponding one of the samples. An electromagnetic shield (22) is positioned between a first one of the detection coils (30, 40) and a second one of the detection coils (30, 40) to isolate the first one of the detection coils (30, 40) and the second one of the detection coils (30, 40) from each other.

#### CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application claims the benefit of United States Provisional Patent Application No. 60/121,869, filed Feb. 26, 1999, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

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TITLE: Nuclear magnetic resonance analysis of multiple samples

PUBLICATION-DATE: August 26, 2004

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 2

## ABSTRACT:

A Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) probe device (20) is disclosed. NMR probe device (20) includes a plurality of detection coils (30, 40) each operable to detect a signal from a corresponding one of a plurality of samples (34, 44) undergoing NMR analysis. Also included is a plurality of tuning circuits (31, 41, 38, 48) each coupled to one of detection coils (30, 40) to tune the one of the detection coils (30, 40) to a corresponding resonant frequency for the NMR analysis of the corresponding one of the samples. An electromagnetic shield (22) is positioned between a first one of the detection coils (30, 40) and a second one of the detection coils (30, 40) to isolate the first one of the detection coils (30, 40) and the second one of the detection coils (30, 40) from each other.

## CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application claims the benefit of provisional patent application No. 60/121,869, filed Feb. 26, 1999, which is hereby incorporated by reference; and is a continuation of application No. PCT/US00/04842, filed Feb. 25, 2000; and is a division of application Ser. No. 09/938,996, filed Aug. 24, 2001, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,696,838, which is hereby incorporated by reference.

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